



Notice to Residents



SAMPLE BALLOT

City of Cathedral City PARKS AND RECREATION MEASURE

"To provide safe/clean Cathedral City parks and recreation facilities including repairing bathrooms, maintaining safe drinking water, increasing water conservation, improving disabled accessibility; keep afterschool/senior programs affordable; enhance youth drug/gang prevention; shall Cathedral City's measure be adopted levying 15¢ per building square foot annually on single-family residential units, other rates for other land uses (\$4,500,000 annually) until ended by voters, authorizing bonds/appropriation limit of \$39,000,000, requiring public spending disclosure, all funds staying local?"



YES



NO

ELECTION INFORMATION

Election Date: November 8, 2022

Ballots Mailed to Voters: October 10, 2022

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**Important information from the City of Cathedral City and Desert Recreation District
Proposed Parks and Recreation Measure for November 8, 2022 Ballot**



Upcoming Parks and Recreation Improvement Measure for Cathedral City

DESERT RECREATION DISTRICT — CATHEDRAL CITY: IMPROVING PARKS AND RECREATION

Cathedral City is the only Coachella Valley city without its own local parks and recreation department. As a result, local children, families and seniors have access to fewer parks, recreation programs and related services than residents in surrounding communities.

This is why the city is exploring a partnership with Desert Recreation District (DRD) to update and maintain Cathedral City parks and increase recreational opportunities for local residents. DRD has maintained neighborhood parks, open spaces, community centers, sports fields, pools and provided quality recreational programs for children, families and seniors in communities around the Coachella Valley for over 70 years. DRD also serves as an essential resource by providing meals, food distribution, emergency shelters and cooling and warming centers for people in need.



LOCALLY CONTROLLED FUNDING FOR PARKS AND RECREATION

At their meeting on August 3, 2022 the City Council of Cathedral City will consider placing a local funding measure for parks and recreation on the November 2022 ballot. If approved by voters, this measure would cost property owners 15¢ per building square foot annually on single-family residential units to allow Cathedral City and DRD to:

- Provide safe and clean parks, playgrounds and recreational facilities in Cathedral City
- Enhance youth drug and gang prevention programs
- Maintain and improve neighborhood park safety
- Provide affordable after-school and senior programs
- Maintain safe drinking water and improve water conservation
- Address homelessness in local parks

MANDATORY FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY AND OVERSIGHT

A local funding measure for Cathedral City parks and recreation would require strict fiscal accountability protections, including:

- Every penny must stay in Cathedral City for parks and recreation only
- No funds could be used for administrator salaries or pensions
- An independent citizens' oversight committee, annual audits and public disclosure of spending would be required
- No funds could be taken away by the State

All Cathedral City Residents are invited to participate in the City Council meeting on August 3, 2022. Meeting information is available by visiting tinyurl.com/CC-CityCouncilMeeting. If you have questions or would like to share your comments or priorities please contact Cathedral City Manager Charles McClendon at cmccclendon@cathedralcity.gov or (760) 770-0372 or DRD General Manager Kevin Kalman at kkalman@drd.us.com or (760) 347-3484.